

MUMUYA
Japanese Photographers.
All kinds of Photographic Work done in latest styles also Passport Photos.
Developing and Printing for Amateurs a Specialty.
No. 8A Queen's Road Central
TEL. 234.

The China Mail

ESTABLISHED 1845

THE
OVERLAND CHINA MAIL
(WEEKLY)
MAIL DAY,
Covers the Weeks News
of Hongkong and the
Far East.
Price (including Postage) to any
part of the world \$13.
per annum.

No. 16,716.

號七月二十日百九千一百一十

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1916.

民國五年歲次丙午

PRICE. \$3.00 Per Month

THORNE'S
OLD VAT
No. 4.
SCOTCH WHISKY.

SOLE AGENTS:
A. S. WATSON & CO. LTD.
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
HONGKONG
TELE. 116.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

JOINED, &c.
No. 2 Company, Section N.-J. A.
Portaria.
No. 2 Company, Section S.-C. F.
Concord.
The resignation of P.C. S. Khan, permitted or leaving the Colony, is cancelled.
(Sgd.) F. C. JENKIN.
D.S.P. (R.)

JAPAN AND A PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY SYSTEM.

Investigations have been made into the public accountancy system, the "Japan Mail" says, with the intention of bringing the matter up in the next session of parliament, but recent reports state that the plan will be abandoned by the government.

The Government some time ago requested the Chamber of Commerce of the country to submit their opinions regarding the advisability of the system, but it is stated that only one third of the Chamber of Commerce replied. The majority of the answers received were to the effect that the time was still premature for establishing such a system in Japan, and the Department of Agriculture and Commerce is reported to have decided not to introduce the bill in the next session of the Diet, further investigations into the matter being considered necessary.

KING EDWARD HOTEL

Central Location
All Electric Train Pad Entrance,
Electric Lamps, Fans and Lighting
European Baths and Sanitary Fixtures,
Hot and Cold Water System throughout.
Best of Food and Service

TELEPHONE 273.
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
"VICTORIA." J. WITCHELL,
Manager.

LESSONS IN CHINESE.
Mr. LIU HUA FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European Officials and Merchants in the Colony. He has a special method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a practical knowledge of English and Chinese. Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write to "Chin Shai" or direct to No. 196, Wellington Street, Second floor. (125)

THE CHINA MAIL
NOTICE

Communications relating to news should be addressed to THE EDITOR.

Correspondents must forward their names and addresses with any communication addressed to the Editor, not necessarily for publication but as evidence of good faith.

All matter for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

Letters relating to business should be addressed to THE MANAGER.

Rate of subscription to "China Mail" is \$36 per annum; per quarter and per month "pro rata".

The "China Mail" is delivered free to subscribers in Hongkong and Kowloon.

Postage is charged at the rate of fifty cents per month.

Orders for extra copies of the "China Mail" should be sent as soon as possible as the supply is limited. Cash 10 cts. Credit 20 cts. per copy.

Rate of subscription to the "Overland China Mail" is \$12 per annum; postage \$1 per annum extra. Single copies twenty-five cents each.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements on pages 2, 3, 6, and 7 should be sent to the Office, No. 5, Wyndham Street, not later than 11.30 a.m.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements on pages 1, 4, 5 and 8 should be sent us not later than 1 p.m.

New Advertisements should be sent in before 3 p.m.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

Telegraphic Address of "China Mail":
"CHINA MAIL", Hongkong.

Telephone No. 29.
Tele. Chin. Mail Letter.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

STEAM OR MOTOR VESSELS

8,000 Tons, 3,000 Horse Power now Built.
Steel Building Work of every Description.
Castings, Forgings, Repairs and Supplies.
Prompt Attention and Shipment to Destination.

INJECTORS AND STEAM PUMPS.

W. S. BAILEY & Co., Ltd.
ENGINEERS and SHIPBUILDERS.
KOWLOON BAY

DRAGON MOTOR CAR CO.



SOLE DISTRIBUTORS FOR THE FAMOUS
HUDSON
AND
OVERLAND
MOTOR
CARS

SILENT
GREY
HARLEY
DAVIDSON
MOTOR
CYCLES

TELEPHONE 483.

COME AND INSPECT

BEST CARS IN THE COLONY FOR HIRE.

A CALENDAR

OF ANCIENT CHINESE GREETINGS.

An attractive Gift Calendar containing Six pictures of China, and made up from Chinese materials.

Attractively presented by a combination of Bamboo, Silk, Glass and Porcelain Beads, and a selection of.

ANCIENT CHINESE GREETINGS.

In neat Cardboard box, ready for Posting.

Price \$2.50.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.,

HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
AND
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.



G. S. W. R.
PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.
7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.
8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12 Noon... Every 15 minutes.
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAYS.

Extra Car at 12 midnight.

SPECIAL CARS by arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Voeux Road Central.

TOTAL Fares at 8th December, 1914, £23,970.367.

—Authorized Capital £6,000,000.

Subscribed Capital £24,500,000.

Paid-up Capital £22,477,400.

Net Assets £2,037,047.

£1/- Life and Annuity Fund £17,567,500.

Sinking Fund Account £23,233.

£23,970.367.

Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,456.

Life and Annuity £2,141,403.

Branches £37,238.

Revenue Marine Department £37,238.

Other Receipts £78,940.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

£23,330,228.

INTIMATIONS

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Green Island Cement Company Limited will be held at the Office of Messrs. Shaw, Tomes & Co., the General Managers of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on FRIDAY the fifteenth day of December, 1916, at twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing as Extraordinary Resolutions the following Resolutions, that is to say—

- (1) That the capital of the Company be reduced from \$4,000,000 (Four million dollars) divided into 400,000 (Four hundred thousand) shares of \$10 (Ten dollars) each, to \$3,000,000 (Three million dollars) divided into 400,000 (Four hundred thousand) shares of \$7.50 (Seven dollars and fifty cents) each, and that such reduction be effected by returning to the holders of the 400,000 (Four hundred thousand) shares that have been issued paid up capital to the extent of \$2.50 (Two dollars and fifty cents) per share arising by reducing the nominal amount of each of the said shares from \$10 (Ten dollars) to \$7.50 (Seven dollars and fifty cents).
- (2) That application be made to the Supreme Court of Hongkong to confirm the reduction of the capital of the Company in conformity with the foregoing Resolution.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this fifth day of December, 1916.

By Order of the Board,
SHAW, TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

SECOND

5½% RUSSIAN INTERNAL SHORT TERMED LOAN OF 1916 FOR ROUBLES 3,060,000,000

THE Subscription to the above LOAN will be Opened from 14th November to 20th December, 1916.

The price of issue is 95 per cent. The Loan is entirely free of Income Tax and other taxes.

The Loan is redeemable at par on 14th October, 1926, without option for the Russian Government to convert it at an earlier date.

Interest are payable half yearly on the 14th April and 14th October.

As interest on the above loan runs from 14th October, the interest accrued on date of subscription must be taken into consideration and is to be added to the price of issue.

The Russo-Asiatic Bank in Hongkong is ready to accept applications for the above named Loan.

Special favourable rates will be quoted for Russian Exchange.

Payment may also be made in Roubles.

Applications will be wired to Petrograd free of telegraphic charges and commis-

sion.

40 per cent, only of the cost of the Bonds may be paid on application, the balance to be paid on receipt of the Bonds.

The Bank is also ready to give every facility to subscribers in the shape of advances against the scrips.

G. TISDALE

Manager.

RUSSO-ASIATIC BANK.

Hongkong, Nov. 3, 1916. 1923

SILIMPON (SEBATTIK) COAL

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the COWIE HARBOUR COAL CO., LTD., are prepared to quote prices for best quality SILIMPON COAL trimmed into Bunkers at SEBATTIK or SANDAKAN (British North Borneo).

SILIMPON COAL compares favourably with the better grades of Japanese Coal and give good results on a very moderate consumption.

Steamers calling at SEBATTIK or SANDAKAN exclusively for SILIMPON COAL (either cargo or bunkers) are exempted from payment of all Port charges.

At Sebattik Steamers are berthed alongside the Company's wharf where there is a minimum depth of 27 to 28 feet at low water Spring Tides.

Charts of Sibuk Bay (Sebattik Harbour). Prices and all other information concerning the Port can be had on application to the Agents.

BRADLEY & CO., LTD.

Agents Cowie-Harbour Coal Company, Limited.

1027

'CHINA MAIL'
OVERLAND EDITION.

THE BEST WEEKLY NEWS PAPER FOR ALL INTERESTED IN HONGKONG AND CHINA GENERALLY.

ORDER IT BEFORE GOING HOME, AND THUS KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH THE COLONY.

CHERRY & CO.,

PEDDER STREET,
Opposite Hongkong Hotel

Telephones No. 491

Hongkong, March 20, 1916.

FRENCH LESSONS

G. MOUSSON,

15, Morrison Hill Road.



INTIMATIONS

BUME & REIFF.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Mr. BERTHOLD REIFF will no longer use the firm name of BUME & REIFF, but will carry on business in future under his own name.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, Dec. 5, 1916. 1923

WANTED.

EUROPEAN ASSISTANT for local Shipping Office, previous experience essential.

Apply Box No. 477,

C/o 'CHINA MAIL' Office.

Hongkong, Dec. 1, 1916. 1927

WANTED.

TWO MARINE ENGLINERS with shop experience to act as workshop foremen, also a Foreman Marine Boilermaker and a Foreman Ship Plater to take up duties in Shanghai; all communications to X.Y.Z.

C/o 'CHINA MAIL' Office.

Hongkong, Dec. 1, 1916. 1928

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON
TURKEYS, GEESES,
CAPONS, CHICKENS

AND
HAMS.

Order Early

To
Avoid Disappointment.

ROYAL FLYING CORPS ALWAYS BETTER THAN THE FOE.

A WAY THEY HAVE IN THE SERVICE.

SUPPLIES FROM THE FRONT.

There is a popular fallacy in connection with the record of the Royal Flying Corps which must be dispelled. Never at any time since the beginning of hostilities have the Germans been superior to British airmen. And similarly with regard to the manufacturer of aircraft; the British have always flown machines equal and superior to those employed by the enemy. A more experienced and popular officer, who has been at the front for over two years, and has gone over the German lines time out of number, reassured me on this point. "The Germans," he declared emphatically, "have never gained an ascendancy over the British airmen. In spite of all that has been said and written to the contrary by irresponsible and ill-informed critics, we have been top-dogs always, and held the whip-hand throughout. We jealously regard ourselves, now more than ever, as the undisputed masters of aerial warfare on the western front. In saying this I desire to be chivalrous to our foes. The Germans, to their credit, have certainly produced some exceptional aviators. Boelk and Immelmann were worthy adversaries. The former seldom thwarted us now. Immelmann, perhaps the greatest of all the German airmen, met his match in British boy who shot down his opponent, after an exhilarating duel against odds. He was surrounded by a party of Fokkers, but dispersed them one after the other until he finished off Immelmann. Captain Ball has 'bagged' thirty machines to date, and I don't think the enemy has an airman to pit against him. Indeed, for all practical purposes, the German air service as an offensive organisation has been almost reduced to a state of impotence. They pay very dearly now for any bit of information they may get. One has only to read the despatches of Sir Douglas Haig to realise how completely and thoroughly the Boche flies are now dominated by the will of the British airmen. It is true they don't go in for exploiting 'stunt' performers like the Germans, but it must not be inferred from this that the British cannot boast 'star' turns. What of Ball, McGubbin, Robinson, Sowrey, Brandon, Tempest, and a host of others whose names seldom appear in print? There are youngsters who have accomplished feats over the German lines in all kinds of weather conditions, and sometimes at the forfeit of their own lives, which would amaze the public. It's a way they have in the air service; they just do things, and will keep on doing them."

LARKING "ALOFT."

During my visits to certain aerodromes in the South of England I had an opportunity of watching our budding lords of the air at work. All were splendid specimens of the English public schoolboy. Fine, fearless, strapping lads, their young hearts throbbing with the spirit of adventure, and full of the sporting characteristics of their breed, they gave demonstrations in the various stages of flying as taught in the army aerodromes. Who can do full justice and honour to the skill and daring of these youngsters. Some of them performed feats which made the blood tingle. Following them through the many phases of their instruction as prescribed by the War Office, one saw sufficient to assure the public that no nation in the world could ever hope to challenge the British mastery of the air. These fresh-faced, dashing lads who are now being trained for the front are simply wonder-workers. One youth, still smattering of the schoolroom, up to all sorts of pranks, played with a batteleplane in mid-air just as the mate in the nursery tries with his penny balloon. The squadron commander who accompanied the writer assured him that this daring young novice was executing every move manfully and skilfully.

Here is an epic story of the air. It happened on the Somme. A British aeroplane was making observation for the artillery when the German anti-aircraft guns smothered it with fire. The observer was seated in front of the pilot. Suddenly the machine began to wobble ominously, dive, and swerve, and then disintegrate rapidly. The observer looked over his shoulder, and was horrified to see the pilot dead in his seat. Only the safety belt secured the pilot in his position. The engine was going top speed, and the predicament of the observer is better imagined than described. He was at his wits end to avert disaster. In a flash he acted, and, climbing over the corpse of the pilot, he reached the driving seat just in time to save the machine from crashing to earth. He seized the controls from the hands of the lifeless pilot, switched off the engine, and landed safely, albeit in the enemy lines. No words can tell of the strain of this terrible ordeal on the observer. His mind was a blank for days before he could recall the circumstances of his amazing descent.

MUSIC

MUSIC

MUSIC.

LARGE STOCK

JUST RECEIVED

INCLUDING

LATEST SONGS—PIECES—

WALTZES—TWO STEPS—

FOX-TROTS—ETC.—ETC.

THE ANDERSON MUSIC CO., LTD., Tel. 1222.

PATELL & CO.

Importers—Exporters

AND

Commission Agents

HONGKONG.

Branches:—

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN.

BOMBAY, INDIA.

China:—

HANKOW,

SHANGHAI,

CANTON.

JAPANESE MAKERS.

Every kind of Footwear

MADE

TO.

ORDER

COUGHING INTO CONSUMPTION

"Only a Cough," but you stop it while it is ONLY a cough.

WATERBURY'S METABOLIZED COD LIVER OIL COMPOUND

The finest preparation made for combating severe coughs. CURES any cough that is only a cough. Very palatable. OR ALL CHEMISTS

Prices: 1/- 7d and 2/- 1/-

To make sales is not enough, you must make friends.

"CAPSTAN" NAVY CUT

TOBACCO & CIGARETTES HAVE BEEN MAKING FRIENDS FOR YEARS

W.D.&H.O.WILLS

"Constant growth signifies constant merit"

LORDS OF THE AIR.

ROYAL FLYING CORPS ALWAYS BETTER THAN THE FOE.

A WAY THEY HAVE IN THE SERVICE.

LARKING "ALOFT."

SUPPLIES FROM THE FRONT.

There is a popular fallacy in connection with the record of the Royal Flying Corps which must be dispelled. Never at any time since the beginning of hostilities have the Germans been superior to British airmen. And similarly with regard to the manufacturer of aircraft; the British have always flown machines equal and superior to those employed by the enemy. A more experienced and popular officer, who has been at the front for over two years, and has gone over the German lines time out of number, reassured me on this point. "The Germans," he declared emphatically, "have never gained an ascendancy over the British airmen. In spite of all that has been said and written to the contrary by irresponsible and ill-informed critics, we have been top-dogs always, and held the whip-hand throughout. We jealously regard ourselves, now more than ever, as the undisputed masters of aerial warfare on the western front. In saying this I desire to be chivalrous to our foes. The Germans, to their credit, have certainly produced some exceptional aviators. Boelk and Immelmann were worthy adversaries. The former seldom thwarted us now. Immelmann, perhaps the greatest of all the German airmen, met his match in British boy who shot down his opponent, after an exhilarating duel against odds. He was surrounded by a party of Fokkers, but dispersed them one after the other until he finished off Immelmann. Captain Ball has 'bagged' thirty machines to date, and I don't think the enemy has an airman to pit against him. Indeed, for all practical purposes, the German air service as an offensive organisation has been almost reduced to a state of impotence. They pay very dearly now for any bit of information they may get. One has only to read the despatches of Sir Douglas Haig to realise how completely and thoroughly the Boche flies are now dominated by the will of the British airmen. It is true they don't go in for exploiting 'stunt' performers like the Germans, but it must not be inferred from this that the British cannot boast 'star' turns. What of Ball, McGubbin, Robinson, Sowrey, Brandon, Tempest, and a host of others whose names seldom appear in print? There are youngsters who have accomplished feats over the German lines in all kinds of weather conditions, and sometimes at the forfeit of their own lives, which would amaze the public. It's a way they have in the air service; they just do things, and will keep on doing them."

LARKING "ALOFT."

During my visits to certain aerodromes in the South of England I had an opportunity of watching our budding lords of the air at work. All were splendid specimens of the English public schoolboy. Fine, fearless, strapping lads, their young hearts throbbing with the spirit of adventure, and full of the sporting characteristics of their breed, they gave demonstrations in the various stages of flying as taught in the army aerodromes. Who can do full justice and honour to the skill and daring of these youngsters. Some of them performed feats which made the blood tingle. Following them through the many phases of their instruction as prescribed by the War Office, one saw sufficient to assure the public that no nation in the world could ever hope to challenge the British mastery of the air. These fresh-faced, dashing lads who are now being trained for the front are simply wonder-workers. One youth, still smattering of the schoolroom, up to all sorts of pranks, played with a batteleplane in mid-air just as the mate in the nursery tries with his penny balloon. The squadron commander who accompanied the writer assured him that this daring young novice was executing every move manfully and skilfully.

LARKING "ALOFT."

Lord Rhondda, who, as Mr. D. A.

Thomas, was on the *Lusitania* when she was torpedoed, told a good story of how the incident was conveyed to the people of Cardiff by the contents of a local paper. It bore the words—"Great National Disaster: 'D. A.' Saved."

These things will happen at times. It was a London paper which at the time of the Peking trouble placarded the streets with the announcement—"Good News from China: Forty Missionaries Killed."

COUGHING INTO CONSUMPTION

"Only a Cough," but you stop it while it is



Hughes & Hough

AUCTIONEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT.

General Auctioneers
Ware, Coal and General Produce
Brokers and Commission
Agents.

PROPRIETORS
"To-Kwa-Wan" Coal Storage.

Codet used
Bentley's
A. E. C. 4th & 5th Editions.
A 1 Telegraphic Code.

Telegraphic Address
"MIRIM" HONGKONG.

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned).

on

FRIDAY

the 8th December, 1916, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.

Comprising:-

Carpets and Rugs, Sideboards, Dinner Wagons, etc., Dining Tables and Chairs, Chesterfield Sofas, Arm-chairs, &c., Teakwood Twin Beds, Wardrobes and Toilet Tables, Double and Single Brass-mounted Bedsteads, &c., Miscellaneous Furniture, Blackwood Wards, Pictures, a few lots Porcelains, &c., Pantry, Bath Room and Kitchen Utensils, &c., &c.

Also

A few lots of Turkish Towels, Bath Towels, Brass Vases, Brass Finger Bowls, (Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

Terms:- Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Dec. 6, 1916. 1230

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for Account of the Concerned),

on

SATURDAY

the 9th December, 1916, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Ice House Street,

A NUMBER OF LOTS OF GRAMOPHONE RECORDS in practically new condition. The makes include Columbia, Victor, Edison Bell, etc., etc.

Terms:- Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Nov. 20, 1916. 1232

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. E. BELSTAD, to sell by Public Auction,

on

SATURDAY

the 6th December, 1916, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Ice House Street,

SEVERAL OIL PAINTINGS, Recently on Exhibition at the City Hall. To be sold without reserve.

Terms:- Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Dec. 5, 1916. 1230

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for Account of the Concerned),

on

SATURDAY,

the 9th December, 1916, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Ice House Street-

THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE GOLD AND DIAMOND JEWELLERY, JUST ARRIVED FROM LONDON:

Fine quality Cluster Diamond Ring, Diamond and Ruby Marquise Ring, Diamond and Other Fine Set in Platinum, Several Diamonds, Ruby and Pearl Rings, Pearl Necklet, Gold or Pink Charms, &c., Hall-marked Gold Pendant, Venetian Gold and Silver Watches by Benson and other Well Known Makers, Bracelets, Brooches, Earrings, Studs, &c., &c.

Pair Binoculars, and One Box Chemical Weight.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

On view day of sale.

Terms:- Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Nov. 27, 1916. 1233

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the auction by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th December, 1916, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Wanchai Gap Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

| No. | Number | Boundary Measurements (Approximate) | Size | Land Price |
|-----|--------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| 1 | 1 | Scratches | 45 ft. x 30 ft. | 1200 |
| 2 | 2 | Rolls | 40 ft. x 13 ft. | 400 |
| 3 | 3 | Jessica | 3 ft. 2 in. x 5 ft. 9 in. | 350 |
| 4 | 4 | Aileen | 4 ft. 3 in. x 4 ft. 0 in. | 340 |
| 5 | 5 | Colleen | 4 ft. 7 in. x 10 ft. 1 in. | 350 |
| 6 | 6 | Kathleen | 4 ft. 7 in. x 3 ft. 9 in. | 350 |
| 7 | 7 | Buccaneer | 4 ft. 24 in. x 4 ft. 19 in. | 350 |
| 8 | 8 | Dione | 0 ft. 0 in. x 0 ft. 6 in. | 350 |

Total Area 8 miles.

Distance 8 miles.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for Account of the Concerned),

on

TUESDAY,

the 12th December, 1916, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Ice House Street,

VALUABLE TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, &c., &c., As Follows:-

One Upholstered Suite, Arm-chairs and Sofas, Card Tables, Bed-room Furniture, comprising Double Brass-mounted Bedstead, Twin Bedsteads (Teakwood), Sideboards, Linen Wagons, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, Tea and Occasional Tables, etc., etc., Dinner Services, Crockery, Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, Toilet Set, &c., Bath Room Utensils, Large Roll-top Desk and Writing Tables, etc., Sandry Electro Plated Ware.

Also

A few lots of Turkish Towels, Bath Towels, Brass Vases, Brass Finger Bowls, (Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

Terms:- Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Dec. 6, 1916. 1230

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for Account of the Concerned),

on

SATURDAY,

the 9th December, 1916, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Ice House Street,

A NUMBER OF LOTS OF GRAMOPHONE RECORDS in practically new condition. The makes include Columbia, Victor, Edison Bell, etc., etc.

Terms:- Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Nov. 20, 1916. 1232

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. E. BELSTAD, to sell by Public Auction,

on

AN EARLY DATE.

The following LIGHTHOUSE GEAR &c., &c., viz:-

One occulting apparatus, complete Circular wick lamps.

Spare burners.

Cylinders and wicks.

Incandescent Petrol Lamps, and Appurtenances

And A quantity of gear pertaining to Mooring Buoys.

Also A number of Locomotive wheels and Axles.

Further particulars may be obtained from the undersigned.

Terms:- as usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Aug. 24, 1916. 664

FOR SALE.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for Account of the Concerned),

on

SATURDAY,

the 9th December, 1916, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Ice House Street-

THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE GOLD AND DIAMOND JEWELLERY, JUST ARRIVED FROM LONDON:

Fine quality Cluster Diamond Ring, Diamond and Ruby Marquise Ring, Diamond and Other Fine Set in Platinum, Several Diamonds, Ruby and Pearl Rings, Pearl Necklet, Gold or Pink Charms, &c., Hall-marked Gold Pendant, Venetian Gold and Silver Watches by Benson and other Well Known Makers, Bracelets, Brooches, Earrings, Studs, &c., &c.

Pair Binoculars, and One Box Chemical Weight.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

On view day of sale.

Terms:- Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Nov. 27, 1916. 1233

SPORTING.

YACHTING.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The results of the second of the series

of Club Championship Races for the

Handicap, One Design, and Haywood

Hays and Gaeel Classes are as follows:-

HANDICAP CLASS.

Course - Channel Rocks (P) Kowloon

Rock (P) Mark Boat or Starting Line

(P) Channel Rocks (P) Kowloon Rock (P)

Distance 4 miles.

Handicap on Finishing Corrected

Yacht Course Time

M. S. H. M. S. H. M. S.

Alissa Scratches 4 ft. 34 ft. 30 ft.

Bonita " 4 ft. 35 ft. 34 ft.

Daphne " 4 ft. 38 ft. 35 ft.

Haleyton " 4 ft. 39 ft. 36 ft.

Position Points for race Pts. to date

(1) Alissa 5 10

(2) Aliss 3 5

(3) Colleen 5 5

(4) Kathleen 3 5

(5) Buccaneer 2 5

(6) Dione 0 6

Position Points for race Pts. to date

(1) Lysbeth 8 14

(2) Dawn 6 11

(3) Lady Ursula 5 9

(4) Tiburtius 4 12

(5) Thecla 5 13

(6) Tornietto 5 15

Position Points for race Pts. to date

(1) Lysbeth 8 14

(2) Dawn 6 11

(3) Thecla 5 9

(4) Tiburtius 4 12



WATSON'S
E
THE PREMIER SCOTCH OF
THE FAR EAST
FOR 25 YEARS.
POPULARITY MAINTAINED BY ITS EXCELLENT
QUALITY NOT BY EXPENSIVE WORLD-WIDE
ADVERTISING.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
HONGKONG.
TEL. NO. 616.

To-day's Advertisements

THE NATIONAL MISSION.

TO-DAY.
6.30 p.m. Men Only, City Hall:
Subject: "Why should men lead a
moral life."

TO-MORROW, (FRIDAY).
7.45 a.m. Holy Communion,
Cathedral.
10.15 a.m. Service in the Cathedral.
5.00 p.m. Service in the Cathedral.
6.00 p.m. Men Only, City Hall:
Subject: "Why should men pray?"
Hongkong, Dec. 7, 1916. 1305

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received in-
structions from the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,
to sell by Public Auction,

WEDNESDAY,
the 13th December, 1916, commencing
at 3 p.m. at their No. 4 Wharf,
2 Iron Sheer Legs 60 ft. long,
2 Iron Struts or Buck Legs, 64 ft. long,
2 Iron Guides for Struts,
2 Large Turnuckles,
37 Three Sheave Iron Blocks;
2 Bed Plates for Sheer Legs;

To be sold in one lot.
These legs were capable of lifting 20 tons.
One Hoisting Engine (Grafton & Co.)
for the Sheer Legs, working
pressure 80 lbs.
One Steam Winch (Howarth Erskine
& Co.) suitable for ship, used as
haul back for sheers, working
pressure 100 lbs.
One Length of Old Cable Chain,
Ninety-five fathoms 3½" wire,
One Lot of Old Wire, various lengths,
On view now.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, Dec. 7, 1916. 1306

(Continued on page 8.)

THE DIARY.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

2 p.m.—Reception on board the
T.R.K.'s. Siberia Maru.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture at Messrs. Hughes and
Hough's.

*General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Dec. 9.—

10.30 a.m.—Auction of Oil Paintings
by Mr. E. Kelso at Messrs. Hughes
and Hough's.

10.30 a.m.—Auction of Gramophone
Records at Messrs. Hughes and
Hough's.

10.45 a.m.—Auction of Jewellery,
Binoculars etc. at Messrs. Hughes
and Hough's.

H.K. Cricket Club v. University
(H.K.C.C. ground).
Entries close for Wodehouse Cup
(Ladies Foursomes, Foursome).

8.44 p.m.—Full Moon.

SUNDAY, Dec. 10.—

9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by
"Taishan".

MONDAY, Dec. 11.—

3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at
P.W.D.

TUESDAY, Dec. 14.—

Prince Albert's birthday (1805).

FRIDAY, Dec. 16.—

Noon—Extraordinary Meeting of the
Green Island Cement Co. Ltd.

Entries close for Ladies Championship
R.H.C. Golf Club.

FRI. 16, SAT. 16, MON. 18 & TUES. 20.—

A.D.C. Performance of "Kismet" in
aid of "Star and Garter" Fund.

difficult to command the majority in the House of Commons, not merely because of Mr. ASQUITH's hold on the House but also because of the acute antagonism of the Labour members to Mr. LLOYD GEORGE—an antagonism suddenly engendered by his late aspirations which the Labour men view in the light of a Dictatorship. When we are told that Viscount GREY is certain to retire with Mr. ASQUITH and that several other members of the Ministry who have rendered distinguished service to the State in the course of the war will serve under no other leader than Mr. ASQUITH, the gravity of the crisis is apparent. It is clear that very much depends on Mr. ASQUITH's attitude, but we are convinced that his high sense of duty will be a sufficient guarantee that his freedom from office will not be used to embarrass the new Government. It is inconceivable that these statesmen will retire to a Cave of Adullam.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A receiver has been appointed for the Manila Dairy Farm.

The Manila Observatory notifies to-day a typhoon in about 110° Long. E. and 10° Lat N. moving W.

The R.G.A. Sergeants' Mess are holding their fortnightly dance to-morrow night in the R.A. Theatre, Victoria Barracks.

We are asked to mention that the sailing date of the P.M.S. S. C. Venezuela has been postponed to Monday, 11th inst. at noon.

A raw silk shipment worth £2,766,000 yen was included in the cargo of the Empress of Japan when she left Yokohama for Vancouver on 24th November.

The Hongkong University Authorities hope that Graduates of other Universities attending the Congregation on the 14th December will wear Academic Costume.

The handsome sum of \$10,000 was subscribed at Shanghai by local members of St. Andrew's Society towards the Scottish Red Cross Fund. A similar amount was subscribed on St. Andrew's Day a year ago.

The following members of "A" Coy H.K.V.R. will parade at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. to-morrow for Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Ptes. A. E. F. Raven, H. A. Walker, A. J. J. Brock, A. H. Hollingsworth, F. A. Brown, J. Carr.

The well known Pacific liner Siberia which formerly made her voyages across the Pacific under the United States flag, being one of the fleet of the old Pacific Mail Co. yesterday came into harbour flying the Japanese flag. The Siberia which now has the additional word "Maru" and the late P.M. str. Korea have been purchased by the T.K.K. for American traffic. The new owners are giving a reception on board the Siberia Maru to-morrow commencing at 2 o'clock.

The Rt. Rev. F. L. Norris D.D., Bishop of North China and Missioner of the National Mission of Repentance and Hope, addressed a mass meeting of men and women at the Theatre Royal last night. The Rev. T. Robinson, Minister of the Wesleyan Church, Wan Chai, presided. The Bishop's address, which was of a discursive character, was founded on the text "I have loved you, with the Lord" and dealt largely with the subject of the observance of Sunday, insisting that the first duty of the Christians man and woman on Sunday is to go to Church and join in the worship of their common Father. In other respects the address was a plea for a better conception of the duties and responsibilities of the Christian life—a protest against "starving religion."

CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS

| | 2.30 p.m. |
|------------------|--------------|
| Indices Def. | 8,130 buyers |
| China Sugars | 185 buyers |
| Malabons | 37 buyers |
| Licots | 131 s & t |
| Kung Yicks | 142 buyers |
| Shanghai Cottons | 114 sales |
| Cements | 114 buyers |
| Watsons | 112 sellers |
| | 62 buyers |

THE MAGISTRACY.

STOWAWAYS.

Three Filipinos were found in the boats of the s.s. Venezuela on her voyage from Manila to Hongkong. They were discovered a day out from Manila and stated they were trying to get through to the United States. Mr. Wood sentenced them each to six weeks hard labour on a charge of being stowaways. A Japanese who claimed he was a student was charged with being a stowaway on board the s.s. Kikong Toh (China Merchants) running between Shanghai and Canton. The case was remanded for Inspector Gordon to interview the Japanese Consul to see if he would give the defendant any assistance. Defendant admitted he stowed away on the Friday mail from Yokohama to Shanghai.

BACK FROM THE STATES.

Another rich Chinese who struck good ground in the States and was returning to his native birth in China brought with him on board the s.s. Venezuela a brand new long Smith-Wesson revolver and 100 rounds of ammunition. The case was remanded for enquiry to be made as to whether the usual notices had been posted on board the Venezuela, considering it was the boat's maiden voyage.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Prince Oyama is reported to be seriously ill.

Mon. R. Rean, Consul for France at Hankow, who left that port on 27th ult. for Hongkong, where he has been appointed Consul-General, has been six years in Hankow. Nearly the whole of the Allied and Neutral and many Chinese members of the community were present at the departure of the Consul and his wife to bid them farewell and wish them success.

Those who wish to attend the Gala Performance of "Kismet" on Friday, 15th inst., and who have not already secured seats, are advised to book without delay as there are only a few \$10 Dress Circle seats left. There are still \$5 seats to be had on the ground floor which are excellently placed for witnessing a production of this kind.

Writing from Worsley Hall Red Cross Hospital, near Manchester, 2nd Lieut. A. E. Griffin, of the 20th King's Liverpool Regiment, to a friend in Shanghai says:—"My wounds are getting on fine, and the doctors now say that I shall not lose any of my fingers. The bones were badly smashed, but have healed up wonderfully well. I was bounces about No man's Land for four hours, and I thank my lucky stars I am still alive. My regiment has a magnificent reputation for attacking, and naturally we got more than our share. Trench warfare is quite interesting and good sport, but down on the Somme it is quite different—life gets awfully sweet when dodging whizzbangs and Johnson's, 'not to mention shrapnel'."

An exceedingly clever forgery came into the possession of the Police yesterday, through the honesty of a Chinese salt fish dealer. The forgery was in the form of a \$100 note and was actually a converted \$5 note on the Chartered Bank. The figures five on both sides and the bill had been erased and "100" in red ink on thin tissue paper pasted on. In addition the broad figures of "100" were stamped across the body of the note and the words "one hundred only" cleverly printed and pasted in. The note had come into the possession of the salt fish dealer in a recent deal but he could not say who gave it to him. He accepted the note as genuine and it was discovered later by a clerk that the word "five" in each corner on the back of the note did not correspond with the face value. He reported the matter and the master took the note to the Police although he was \$95 out of pocket.

AN AMERICAN THANKSGIVING DAY.

THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION.

"The Proclamation of President Wilson for the Observance of November 30th as Thanksgiving Day is as follows:—

"It has been the custom of our people to turn in the fruitful autumn of the year, in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for his many blessings and mercies to us and the nation. The year that had elapsed since we last observed our day of thanksgiving has been rich in blessing to us as a nation, but the whole face of the world has been darkened by war. In the midst of our peace and happiness our thoughts dwell with painful disquiet upon the struggles and sufferings of the nations at war and of the people upon whom war has brought disaster without choice or possibility of escape in their part. We cannot think of our own happiness without thinking of their pitiful distress. Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do appoint Thursday, the thirtieth of November, as a day of National Thanksgiving and Prayer, and urge and advise the people to resort to their several places of worship on that day to render thanks to Almighty God for the blessings of peace and unbroken prosperity which He has bestowed upon our beloved country in such unstinted measure. I also urge and suggest our duty, in this our day of peace and abundance, to think in deep sympathy of the stricken people of the world upon whom the curse and terror of war have so pitilessly fallen, and to contribute out of our abundant means to the relief of their sufferings. Our people could in no better way show their real attitude toward the present struggle of the nations than by contributing out of their abundance to the relief of the suffering which war has brought in its train."

In witness whereof I have countersigned my hand and caused the Seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington this seventeenth day of November in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and of the Independence of the United States one hundred and forty-first.

(Signed) Woodrow Wilson.

Mr. Laurence Knott Kentwell, Barrister-at-law, has been admitted to practice in H.M.'s Supreme Court for China by the Chief Judge, Sir Haviland de Saumarez. Mr. Kentwell, who is a British subject, was a graduate of Columbia University, New York, also a graduate of the universities of Oxford and Cambridge and a barrister-at-law of the Inner Temple.

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded. He later obtained his commission in the Leinster. The flag of the H.M.S. Bank was lowered to half-mast in memory of the deceased, which was done by the crew of the ship."

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded. He later obtained his commission in the Leinster. The flag of the H.M.S. Bank was lowered to half-mast in memory of the deceased, which was done by the crew of the ship."

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded. He later obtained his commission in the Leinster. The flag of the H.M.S. Bank was lowered to half-mast in memory of the deceased, which was done by the crew of the ship."

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded. He later obtained his commission in the Leinster. The flag of the H.M.S. Bank was lowered to half-mast in memory of the deceased, which was done by the crew of the ship."

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded. He later obtained his commission in the Leinster. The flag of the H.M.S. Bank was lowered to half-mast in memory of the deceased, which was done by the crew of the ship."

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded. He later obtained his commission in the Leinster. The flag of the H.M.S. Bank was lowered to half-mast in memory of the deceased, which was done by the crew of the ship."

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded. He later obtained his commission in the Leinster. The flag of the H.M.S. Bank was lowered to half-mast in memory of the deceased, which was done by the crew of the ship."

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded. He later obtained his commission in the Leinster. The flag of the H.M.S. Bank was lowered to half-mast in memory of the deceased, which was done by the crew of the ship."

Referring to 2nd-Lieutenant Henry P. Dudley, of the Leinster Regiment, attached to the Royal Irish Regiment, who was killed in action, the Shanghai Mercury says:—"The late Lieut. Dudley was on the Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from 1901 to 1909, during which time he was a prominent member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, being 1st Assistant Foreman of the Victoria (No. 7) Company. He went home from Singapore shortly after he was killed, and enlisted as a private in the 7th Dublin Fusiliers. With the latter regiment he went to Suva Bay, where he was wounded

THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CABINET CRISIS.

MR. LAW DECLINES TO FORM A CABINET.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S TURN.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
The Westminster Gazette states that Mr. Bonar Law has declined to form a Cabinet, finding himself unable to undertake the task of the Premiership.

LATER.

Mr. Bonar Law's refusal is confirmed.

It is expected that Mr. Lloyd George will be summoned by the King to form a Ministry.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE FORMING A CABINET.

LATEST.
Mr. Lloyd George is forming a Government.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF MR. ASQUITH'S RETIREMENT.

The Times says Viscount Grey (the Foreign Secretary) is certain to retire with Mr. Asquith. Mr. McKenna (Chancellor of the Exchequer), Mr. Runciman (President of the Board of Trade), Mr. Harcourt, and Lord Crewe (Secretary of State for India) will only serve under Mr. Asquith. It is unlikely that Mr. Balfour (First Lord of the Admiralty) or Lord Lansdowne will again assume office. The Labour element is most uncertain. The country will probably regard Mr. Lloyd George as the most likely successor of Mr. Asquith, and the most likely combination at present is Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Bonar Law and Sir Edward Carson. The time has come to return to the old English system of small Cabinets. The Parliamentary situation is extraordinary. The Treasury Bench will be empty for the first time in modern history when the House of Commons reassembles to-morrow.

LABOUR PARTY'S ATTITUDE.

Mr. Wardle, M.P., Chairman of the Labour Party, interviewed, declared that the whole Party unreservedly supported Mr. Asquith. The Labour Members were generally of the opinion that the crisis ought not to have arisen. They were quite prepared to see a smaller War Council, but they did not think that this should be accomplished by the means which had been adopted. They recognised that Mr. Lloyd George is a great driving force, but it was felt that in a crisis of this kind the proposal to throw over the Premier an unproper and unsupportable policy.

THE IRISH QUESTION.

The Daily Chronicle says that there have been discussions for some time past between Mr. Lloyd George, Sir Edward Carson and the Irish leaders with a view to an Irish settlement based on proposals by Sir Edward Carson for the establishment of a Home Rule Parliament for the whole of Ireland, the Protestants receiving proportional representation, and Ulster being included for three years. Sir Edward Carson imposes the condition that the Nationalists shall agree to conscription in the event of a settlement. Some Nationalists will join a Lloyd George Government in which Sir Edward Carson would be a leading member.

DENIAL BY SIR EDWARD CARSON.

Sir Edward Carson has sent a message to Belfast stating that the proposals attributed to him for a settlement of the Irish Question are without foundation.

RUMANIA.

BUKHAREST CAPTURED.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
An Berlin official announcement states that Bucharest has been captured.

GERMANS REACHING THE OIL FIELDS.

LONDON, Dec. 5.
The capture of Tigraviston brings the Germans to the outskirts of the oil-fields in Rumania.

THE FIGHTING IN THE CARPATHIANS.

An Austrian official communiqué says:

An Austro-German counter-attack in the Carpathians deprived the Russians of all local gains.

Russian attacks on the Moldavian frontier have been repulsed with heavy losses.

THE MACEDONIAN FRONT.

IMPORTANT SERBIAN SUCCESS.

SOKOL THREATENED.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
Reuter's Correspondent at the Serbian Headquarters says the latest Serbian success is important. They captured the whole of a series of strongly-fortified positions, including the summit of Grunishte, which is of great strategic importance, for it threatens Sokol. If the latter falls the entire Moglen region will be freed of the enemy.

KAISER SENDS MESSAGE TO THE POPE.

ROME, Dec. 6.
Cardinal Feschwirth, late Papal Nuncio at Munich, had an hour's audience with the Pope. It is understood that he brought a message from Kaiser.

SUBMARINE PIRACY.

PASSENGERS IN THE WATER TWO HOURS.

ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 6.
The City of Birmingham was torpedoed without warning in the Mediterranean and sank in twenty minutes. The largest boat was smashed and numbers of passengers struggled in the water for two hours before they were rescued.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
The steamers Palacine (British), Palus (Russian) Draupner (Norwegian) have been sunk.

THE NEW ADMIRALTY APPOINTMENTS.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
The new Admiralty appointments are regarded as signifying radical changes.

Admiral Burney, who has long second in command of the Grand Fleet, will deal with the personnel, and Captain Halsey, who fought at Jutland, and commanded the New Zealand cruiser Empire, and has been a Captain of the Fleet, will supervise the transport service.

GOVERNMENT WAR CONTROL AT HOME.

CURTAILMENT OF RAILWAY SERVICES AND MINES.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
Drastic curtailments of the British railway services are expected.

The Daily Chronicle says that Government control will be extended to all British mines.

A.G.C.B. FOR ADMIRAL JACKSON.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
Admiral Henry Jackson has been awarded the Order of the Grand Cross of the Bath.

PRO-GERMAN ESPIONAGE IN HOLLAND.

DUTCHMAN AND GERMAN SENTENCED.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 6.
A Dutchman and a German have been sentenced to 15 and 6 months imprisonment respectively for pro-German espionage with respect to ships carrying Lusitania to England.

THE REIGN OF TERROR IN ATHENS.

ABOMINABLE TREACHERY.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
Telegrams from Athens state that the Allied troops on the 1st inst. walked into a trap. When they marched to the positions which had been previously notified by the Greeks they found themselves surrounded by 25,000 Greeks before a shot had been fired. Purleying was in progress when a Greek machine-guns suddenly opened on the southern side.

Fighting spread to the Eastern quarter where the Greeks opened fire with machine-guns on the Zappeion building from the Palace Gardens, while Admiral Fourest and his officers were standing on the steps.

Two hundred and fifty British marines, reinforced by 150 Frenchmen had been quartered at Zappeion for a month past. Surrender or annihilation for the Zappeion Garrison after the conclusion of the armistice was prevented by a French battleship most accurately dropping a few shells close to the Palace.

The British casualties were 8 killed and 40 wounded.

Previously a hundred French marines south of the City, refusing to surrender, cut their way through with the bayonet. Only 30 reached the shore.

Since the armistice the Greeks have resumed control of the posts, telegraphs and railways.

A thousand Venizelists were imprisoned in Saturday's reign of terror.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

INTERMITTENT ENEMY SHELLING.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
Sir Douglas Haig reports intermittent enemy shelling on the Ancre.

COALING FACILITIES AT BRITISH PORTS.

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION IN AMERICA.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.
The British Embassy notifies that owing to the scarcity of tonnage the coaling facilities at British ports and coaling stations abroad are reserved for British and Allied vessels and neutrals who have undertaken to employ ships for the benefit of British and Allied interests.

SUBMARINE PIRACY.

PASSAGERS IN THE WATER TWO HOURS.

ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 6.
The City of Birmingham was torpedoed without warning in the Mediterranean and sank in twenty minutes. The largest boat was smashed and numbers of passengers struggled in the water for two hours before they were rescued.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
The steamers Palacine (British), Palus (Russian) Draupner (Norwegian) have been sunk.

THE NEW ADMIRALTY APPOINTMENTS.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
The new Admiralty appointments are regarded as signifying radical changes.

Admiral Burney, who has long second in command of the Grand Fleet, will deal with the personnel, and Captain Halsey, who fought at Jutland, and commanded the New Zealand cruiser Empire, and has been a Captain of the Fleet, will supervise the transport service.

GOVERNMENT WAR CONTROL AT HOME.

CURTAILMENT OF RAILWAY SERVICES AND MINES.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
Drastic curtailments of the British railway services are expected.

The Daily Chronicle says that Government control will be extended to all British mines.

A.G.C.B. FOR ADMIRAL JACKSON.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
Admiral Henry Jackson has been awarded the Order of the Grand Cross of the Bath.

PRO-GERMAN ESPIONAGE IN HOLLAND.

DUTCHMAN AND GERMAN SENTENCED.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 6.
A Dutchman and a German have been sentenced to 15 and 6 months imprisonment respectively for pro-German espionage with respect to ships carrying Lusitania to England.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE BRITISH CABINET CRISIS.

VIEWS AND OPINIONS.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
The resignation of Mr. Asquith and the summoning of Mr. Bonar Law caused a sensation in the Clubs.

There is little disposition to criticise from a partisan standpoint. It is generally hoped that Mr. Bonar Law will be able to form a strong united government, which will command the support of the majority of the members of the House of Commons, regardless of pro-war tie.

It is understood that the Unionist Ministers, after consulting Mr. Bonar Law, intimated that Mr. Asquith's proposed changes in the War Council were not acceptable.

The papers agree that whoever is the new Premier will find it difficult to command a majority in the House of Commons, not merely because of Mr. Asquith's hold on the House, but because the Unionists have preserved and have diligently enlarged the liberties of what might call the Kingdom of "Minima." Manners are freer than they were. Fashions, especially what we may call class fashions, tend to be less tyrannical. In Thackeray's day the whole middle class was more or less alike. Now the poor live as they can and the educated as they please. If Thackeray could come back how Bohemian he would think us all!

True, there are social whibbishes still; but the world to which they apply becomes smaller and more exclusively feminine. Occasionally one hears some one say: "There are no eccentrics now." The truth is, there are so many that they pass unnoticed.

We do not greatly regard ridiculous small offences any longer, nor trouble over small losses; neither are we shocked at small extravagances. We seldom apply our laws, or even our principles, where trifles are concerned. We make no idols of our conventions. Rather we love them—the older the better—as children love dolls; but, like children, we do not hesitate to knock them about; indeed, few of them can be said to be intact. We all believe that this country is free in a sense in which no other country ever was or will be, and there is a sense of freedom here which foreigners give us credit for.

The Daily Telegraph recognises that much will depend on the attitude of Mr. Asquith. It is convinced that with his high sense of duty he will not refuse a subordinate position in the new Government.

There were many conferences of Ministers yesterday. Prior to the announcement of the resignations Mr. Bonar Law conferred with his Unionist colleagues, of whom Lord Curzon acted as messenger to the conference of Mr. Asquith and the Liberal Ministers.

It is stated that the Unionists, in view of Mr. Lloyd George's resignation, told Mr. Asquith that they would resign unless the Government did so.

It is generally assumed that the new Government will be predominantly Unionist, though Mr. Bonar Law will attempt to keep the coalition in existence.

Sir Herbert Samuel and Hon. E. S. Montagu are the only Liberals mentioned as likely to join. The Daily News, indeed, declares that the new Government will contain no Liberal except Mr. Lloyd George, though the Liberals will support it patriotically.

THE REIGN OF TERROR IN ATHENS.

TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE OF TWO NURSES.

VENEZELISTS BATTERED TO DEATH.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
Reuter learns that a telegram from the British Legation at Athens states that two Greek Red Cross nurses, after tending a wounded porter at the Legation all day, were subsequently arrested and dragged before the Head of the Police. They were shut up for 30 hours, without food and without water, in a filthy latrine. There were continuous attempts at raping. Their house was looted. They have now been released.

They state that the police headquarters are filled with Venezelists, some of whom were battered to death and some had their eyes gouged out.

The late Head of the Secret Police was tied to a post and was beaten on the head with a club by an Orthodox priest.

CHANGES AT THE ADMIRALTY.

LONDON, Dec. 6.
The "Gazette" notifies the appointment of Admiral Cecil Burney to be Second Sea Lord and Captain Lionel Halsey to be Fourth Sea Lord.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 6.
The Grand Duke Boris has presented to the Shah of Persia a silver vase from the Czar.

At a luncheon the Shah and the Grand Duke exchanged assurances for the consolidation of Russo-Persian friendship.

The Grand Duke was enthusiastically received by the inhabitants of Teheran.

UNNECESSARY WORDS.

WHY waste words and advertising space in describing the mere politics of men in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? The most ridiculous and satisfied when we state that it contains ointments and extracts from many sources and that it contains absolutely no mercuric or camphorated salicylic acid. For sale by all Chemists and druggists.

"DE MINIMIS."

It is good for every man's character that there should be some spiritual region in which he can do as he likes, some land of little things where he may be delivered altogether from the tyranny of the long arm. Most Englishmen feel this instinctively, and there is certainly no country in which de minimis non curat lex can be said with so much truth. Hitherto our countrymen have preserved and have diligently enlarged the liberties of what might call the Kingdom of "Minima."

Manners are freer than they were. Fashions, especially what we may call class fashions, tend to be less tyrannical. In Thackeray's day the whole middle class was more or less alike. Now the poor live as they can and the educated as they please.

If Thackeray could come back how Bohemian he would think us all!

True, there are social whibbishes still; but the world to which they apply becomes smaller and more exclusively feminine. Occasionally one hears some one say: "There are no eccentrics now."

The truth is, there are so many that they pass unnoticed.

We do not greatly regard ridiculous small offences any longer, nor trouble over small losses; neither are we shocked at small extravagances.

We seldom apply our laws, or even our principles, where trifles are concerned. We make no idols of our conventions.

Rather we love them—the older the better—as children love dolls; but, like children, we do not hesitate to knock them about; indeed, few of them can be said to be intact.

We all believe that this country is free in a sense in which no other country ever was or will be, and there is a sense of freedom here which foreigners give us credit for.

The Daily Chronicle recognises that much will depend on the attitude of Mr. Asquith.

It is generally assumed that the new Government will contain no Liberal except Mr. Lloyd George, though the Liberals will support it patriotically.

They state that the police headquarters are filled with Venezelists, some of whom were battered to death and some had their eyes gouged out.

The late Head of the Secret Police was tied to a post and was beaten on the head with a club by an Orthodox priest.

They state that the police headquarters are filled with Venezelists, some of whom were battered to death and some had their eyes gouged out.

The late Head of the Secret Police was tied to a post and was beaten on the head with a club by an Orthodox priest.

They state that the police headquarters are filled with Venezelists, some of whom were battered

SHIPPING

P. & O. S. N. Co.

ROYAL MAIL SERVICE.

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named—

| For | Steamers | To Sail | Remarks |
|---|---|-----------------------|--|
| SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE | NOVARA Capt. H. R. HETHERINGTON, E.N.L. | Daylight 11th Dec. | Direct Service. |
| LONDON via SINGAPORE | NANKIN Capt. G. MARLEY, | Noon 15th Dec. | Direct Service. |
| PENANG, COLOMBO, Port Said & MARSEILLES | SOMALI Capt. L. D. PINCKNEY, | about 24th Dec. | Direct Service. |
| SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE | | | Wireless on all steamers. Return tickets at a fare and a half available to Europe for two years or Intermediate Ports for six months. Round-the-world and through tickets to New York, at Special Rates. |
| LONDON & BOMBAY via SINGAPORE | NOVARA Capt. H. R. HETHERINGTON, E.N.L. | Noon 15th Dec. | Connecting at Singapore, Colombo with Mail Steamer Mooltan. |
| COLONBO, Port Said & MARSEILLES | | | For PASSAGE RATES, HAND BOOK, and FREIGHTS apply to H. V. D. PARK, Acting Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office. |

O. S. K.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR SERVICES PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

North American Line. FOR VICTORIA, SETTLE AND TACOMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MANILA, NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA. (TRANS PACIFIC). "MANILA MARU" Friday, 8th Dec., at 3 p.m. (Omitting Manila and Moji).

South American Line. FOR RIO DE JANEIRO, BUENOS AIRES, LA SINGAPORE, DURBAN AND CAPE TOWN. "KASADO MARU" Monday, 1st Jan., 1917, Noon.

Bombay Line. FOR BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE, PORTSWETTENHAM, PENANG AND COLOMBO. "MALAY MARU" Wednesday, 20th Dec., at 7 a.m.

Java Line. FOR MANILA, SANDAKAN, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG, SURABAYA AND MACASSAR.

Formosan Line. FOR TAMSUI, KEELUNG, ANPING, TAKAO, VIA SWATOW, AND AMOY.

"AMAKUSA MARU" Tuesday, 12th Dec., at 10 a.m. Calling at Tamsui, Keelung via Swatow and Amoy.

These Formosan Liners will arrive at and depart from the SOON YIP WHARF, the Harbour Office, and while the steamer is alongside the wharf Telephone No. 76 will be fixed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION APPLY TO:

H. YAMAUCHI, Manager.

Tel. Nos. 744 & 745.

No. 1, Queen's Building.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

MAIL SERVICE

TO AUSTRALIA.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION WITHOUT NOTICE.

| STEAMERS | ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA | LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA |
|------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| EASTERN | 6th December. | 26th Dec., at 11 a.m. |
| ST. ALBANS | 6th January. | 27th Jan., at 11 a.m. |

All above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-of-the-art Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried.

All Steamers fitted with Wireless Telegraphy.

For further particulars, apply to:

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS with transhipment at CALCUTTA, in conjunction with the INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD. AND APCAR LINE. Proposed sailings from Hongkong.

Steamer from Hongkong, on or about Connecting at Calcutta with On or about

A steamer 10th Jan. ss. "UMKUZI" 31st Jan.

For Freight and further particulars apply to:

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

HONGKONG NEW YORK.

REGULAR SAILINGS via PORTS and BUREAU and PANAMA CANALS. (With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast).

FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK

The above vessels will proceed via Panama Canal.

It is intended that the above vessel will proceed via Panama Canal.

For Freight and further particulars apply to:

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

THE NANYO YUSEN KAISHA

(SOUTH SEA MAIL & S. S. CO.)

Regular Service of Steamers between JAPAN, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE,

BATAVIA, SUMATRA and SOUTHEAST ASIA.

Sail on or about

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "PICHUMI MARU" For Batavia, Sumatra and Southeast Asia... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 1st Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama... 15th Dec.

ss. "INFO MARU" For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama...

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1898.

THE CHINA MAIL.

SHIPPING

P. & O. S. N. CO.
ROYAL MAIL SERVICE
 UNDER CONTRACT WITH HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT
MARSEILLES AND LONDON,
 TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO TO
 STRAITS, COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, &c.

| Steamers to Colombo | Leave Hongkong Noon | Connecting Mail Steamer from Colombo, | Due at Marseilles 1917. | Due London 1917. |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| NANKIN | Dec. 15 | Through Steamer | Jan. 17 | Jan. 23 |
| NOVARA | Dec. 29 | MOULSAN | Jan. 23 | Feb. 4 |
| SOMALI | Jan. 12 | KASHGAR | Feb. 12 | Feb. 19 |
| NYANZA | Jan. 26 | Through Steamer | Feb. 23 | Mar. 11 |
| MALTA | Feb. 9 | MOREA | Mar. 11 | Mar. 18 |

Passenger changes Steamer at COLOMBO.
 Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in
 Hongkong at the time of booking.
 On the Australian Route Tickets Interchangeable with Orient Line.

SAILINGS DIRECT TO SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

| S. S. | Leave Hongkong About |
|--------|-----------------------|
| NOVARA | MONDAY, 11th December |
| SOMALI | SUNDAY, 24th December |
| NYANZA | SUNDAY, 31st December |
| MALTA | SUNDAY, 14th January |
| NAMUR | SUNDAY, 28th January |

Passenger may travel by Railway in Japan between Ports of Call free of charge.
 Return Tickets are available by Messageries Maritimes Company.

INTERMEDIATE STEAMERS (Non-Transhipment),
 IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS,
 WILL LEAVE DIRECT FOR
MARSEILLES AND LONDON,

Calling at SINGAPORE, PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG, COLOMBO
 AND PORT SAID.

CARRYING 1ST AND 2ND SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.
 PROPOSED SAILINGS:

| STEAMER. | Leave Hongkong about | Leave Suez about | Due at Marseilles if calling about | Due London about |
|----------|----------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| | | | | |

THE INTERMEDIATE SERVICE IS TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED.
 WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.
 All Cabins are fitted with Electric Fans free of charge and each Berth Furnished
 with an Electric Reading Lamp.

Passenger Tickets Interchangeable with the British India Co.
 Round the World Tickets and Through Tickets to New York in connection with the
 Principal Mail Lines.

Return Tickets at fare and a half available to Europe for Two Years; or to
 Intermediate Ports for Six Months.

Owing to the War in Europe Steamers and Sailing dates are liable to be cancelled
 or altered without notice.

For Further Information, Passage Fares, Freight, Handbooks, etc., apply to
H. V. D. PARR,
 Acting Superintendent.

CHINA MAIL S. S. CO., LTD.
 FREIGHT AND PASSENGERS.
S. S. CHINA
 WILL SAIL FROM HONGKONG FOR
SAN FRANCISCO
 VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN PORTS & HONOLULU.
 JAN. 31 - APRIL 11 - JUNE 23.

AN UNSURPASSED HIGH CLASS PASSENGER
 SERVICE AT INTERMEDIATE RATES.

O. H. RITTER, Freight and Passenger Agent,
 Prince's Buildings, Ice House Street.

INDIAN AFRICAN LINE.

Cargo carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA,
 DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (Natal), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and
 CAPE TOWN with transhipment at COLOMBO to Steamers of the INDIAN
 AFRICAN LINE.

PROPOSED SAILING.

From HONGKONG: Connecting with

FROM COLOMBO

EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION FOR 1ST AND 2ND CLASS PASSENGERS.

ORIENTAL AFRICAN LINE.

Regular Direct Service from JAPAN, CHINA and STRAITS to BEIRA,
 DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE
 TOWN, calling at MAURITIUS en route and affording the Quickest Freight
 Transport from the ORIENT to SOUTH AFRICA.

PROPOSED SAILING.

S.S. "BALAMIS" from Hongkong

For Rates of Freight apply to

THE BANK LINE LIMITED.

MANAGING AGENTS.

"ELLERMANN" LINE.

Ellerman & Bucknall Steamship Co., Ltd.
 JAPAN, CHINA AND STRAITS
 TO
 UNITED KINGDOM & CONTINENT.

Freight
 Shipping
 Sales
 Shippers proceed via Suez Canal or Cape of Good Hope at Owners option,
 subject to change without notice.
 For rates of freight and further information apply to

THE BANK LINE LTD.

General Agents.

ROYAL LOVE SCANDALS.

AMAZING INDISCRETIONS OF THE HAPSBURGS.

"Most of the members of my house," Louis, ex-Crown Prince of Saxony, writes in her autobiography, "seem to be very unlucky in love. Indeed, in the ordinary affairs of life our family rarely does anything in the accepted way, and we afford a fascinating study for those interested in heredity."

The tale in the Hapsburg blood, derived from the union of the dissolute Ferdinand II, with Joanna, the Mad, has no doubt been largely responsible for the flagrant indiscretions of this Royal House, notably in the domain of love, which have caused so much scandal in Europe. The chronicle of the Hapsburgs, indeed, is full of stories of misalliances, of strange unions with maidens and men of low degree, not the least romantic of which is that which the Archduke Johann was the hero about a century ago!

Prince Johann, so the story runs, was travelling from Italy to Vienna, when he stopped at a small Styrian village for a change of horses and position. The horses were available, but, as the rustic host of the inn apologetically explained, there was no position for them. The Prince, anxious to continue his journey without delay, had begun to despair when, to his surprise and delight, a position was forthcoming, none other than the innkeeper's pretty daughter, who, determined that the handsome stranger should not be disappointed, had herself donned livery and volunteered to drive him to the next posting station.

Here, indeed, were all the elements of a romance, a susceptible prince and a beautiful maid, whose charms were enhanced by the masquerade garb she wore, and the romantic rôle she had assumed with such courtesy. The Archduke, powerless to resist such a combination of assaults on his heart, promptly fell in love with his fair position, and, as his wife and Countess of Moran, she had no reason to regret an adventure which no doubt she thoroughly enjoyed apart from its happy consequences.

FASCINATING CINDERELLA.
 Of a later Archduke Johann a story less dramatic is told. Johann Salvator Ferdinand, Archduke of Austria and Grand Duke of Tuscany, was, a generation ago, the most brilliant prince in Europe, accomplished scholar, poet, and musician, and the finest strategist in Franz Josef's army, in which he had, while in his early thirties risen to field-marshall's rank.

One day, as fate would have it, he visited an Opera theatre famed for its ballets, and among the fair dancers who posed and pirouetted on the stage was one whose radiant young beauty and grace of figure arrested his attention, and held him entranced. Such was the fascination of the Hapsburg blood, who ran away with, lone, loves of low degree in quick succession, an example which her daughter Elvira later followed when she eloped with Count Vrona. More recently still, Prince Victor Salvator, son of the Austrian Grand Duchess Marie Louise, and first cousin of the ex-Crown Princess of Saxony, played the rôle of bridegroom at the Nuremberg register office to Fraulein Anna Rohrer, daughter of a humble country doctor, whom he had successfully wooed under the very walls of his mother's castle in Bohemia.

The Archduke Ferdinand Carl, younger brother of the late Crown Prince of Austria, who himself made a morganatic marriage with a countess, found a wife in Friederike Crüger, daughter of a master at a Vienna school. The Archduke Ernest and Henry each put a wedding-ring on the finger of a low-born Cinderella, while another Archduke Ernest waited with a ball-dancer whose son by him was a few years ago a waiter in a Budapest restaurant.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

| DESTINATION. | VEHICLES. | AGENTS. | DATE OF LEAVING |
|--|--|--|-----------------|
| Australia, Port, &c., Eastern | Gibb Livingston & Co., Dec. 25, at 11 a.m. | Mr. G. W. Barton, Mr. Lee Jones | |
| Australia, Port, &c., S. America | Gibb Livingston & Co., Jan. 27, at 11 a.m. | Mr. D. K. Blair, Mr. Neil MacIntyre | |
| Boston & New York, Euromel & Co., Tokyo, S. Korea, Ubo Malay Mart. | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 6 | Mr. C. Carmichael, Mr. Martini | |
| Colombia, S. America | Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Dec. 21 | Mr. & Mrs. F. W. Cary, Mr. H. F. Mattingly | |
| Colombia, S. America | Osaka Shosen Kaisha, Dec. 23, at 7 a.m. | Mr. & Mrs. D. C. M. C. Mulder | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 13 | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 14, at 10 a.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Tokio Kisen Kaisha, Jan. 6, at noon | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Dec. 11 | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | P. & O. S. N. Co., Dec. 15, at noon | Mr. & Mrs. F. W. Cary, Mr. H. F. Mattingly | |
| Colombia, S. America | P. & O. S. N. Co., Dec. 23, at noon | Mr. & Mrs. F. W. Cary, Mr. H. F. Mattingly | |
| Colombia, S. America | Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Dec. 23, at noon | Mr. & Mrs. F. W. Cary, Mr. H. F. Mattingly | |
| Colombia, S. America | Osaka Shosen Kaisha, Dec. 23, at noon | Mr. & Mrs. F. W. Cary, Mr. H. F. Mattingly | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 14, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 15, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 16, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 17, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 18, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 19, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 20, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 21, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 22, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 23, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 24, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 25, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 26, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 27, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 28, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 29, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 30, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Dec. 31, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 1, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 2, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 3, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 4, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 5, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 6, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 7, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 8, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 9, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 10, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 11, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 12, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 13, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 14, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 15, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |
| Colombia, S. America | Butterfield & Swire, Jan. 16, at 4 p.m. | Mr. T. P. Cannan | |

